



NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Parcel 002

North Charleston, South Carolina

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract until September 10, 2013.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, VCC 13-6220-NRP, will affect approximately 18.6 acres located at 0 Baker Hospital Boulevard, North Charleston, SC and identified by tax map number 4690000002.

This Voluntary Cleanup Contract will be between DHEC and a company known as ARC Developer I, LLC (ARC). ARC wants to acquire the property for industrial use, which may include sale of the property to a recycling center operator.

During the early to middle 1900's, the property was part of a phosphate fertilizer plant, and later was used as a staging area for equipment during construction of Interstate 26. Previous environmental investigations have identified contaminants in soil, sediment and groundwater on this property.

If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, DHEC will allow ARC to acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of environmental pollution on the property. ARC did not create the pollution, but will take steps to control it to keep the property safe for re-use.

DHEC will not hold ARC responsible for pre-existing pollution in exchange for the work ARC will do under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under State law, ARC will not be responsible if anyone has been affected by the contamination. The Voluntary Cleanup Contract does not reduce the responsibility of former owners or operators of the site.

The proposed contract is available at <http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/publicnotice.htm>. Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882. The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract until September 10, 2013. Questions or comments may be directed to Angela Gorman, Project Manager, email gormanak@dhec.sc.gov, telephone (803) 898-0929. Written comments should be directed to Angela Gorman at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.